## KENTUCKY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services (Amendment)

202 KAR 7:330. <u>Advanced Emergency Medical Technician</u> [Requirements for examination, certification, and recertification of the advanced emergency medical technician].

RELATES TO: KRS 38.030, Chapter 39, 39A.050, 311A.010, 311A.020, 311A.025, 311A.050, 311A.090, 311A.095, 311A.100, 311A.110, 311A.127, 311A.140, 311A.145, 311A.150, 311A.195, 10 U.S.C. 121, 672(b)

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 311A.020, 311A.025, 311A.030

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 311A.025(2) requires the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the standards for training, education, examination, certification, practice, and recertification of the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT). This administrative regulation establishes requirements for Advanced Emergency Medical Technician [examination, certification, and recertification of the AEMT].

Section 1. Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Student Eligibility. (1) Individuals shall be eligible to enroll as a student in an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician education and training program if the applicant:

- (a) Is at least eighteen (18) years of age;
- (b) Holds a high school diploma, high school equivalency diploma, or home school diploma; and
- (c) Is currently certified at a minimum of an Emergency Medical Technician by the board or the NREMT.
  - (2) The student applicant shall:
- (a) Not currently be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A that would prevent certification:
- (b) Pass a criminal background check through the Kentucky Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) meeting the requirements of KRS 311A.050; and
- (c) Meet all additional requirements established by the EMS Training and Educational Institution (EMS-TEI).
- Section <u>2</u> [4]. Certification Requirements. (1) <u>Individuals desiring initial certification as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician shall: [An applicant for initial certification as an AEMT shall complete an educational course that:]</u>
- (a) Successfully complete a board approved education and training program that conforms to the curriculum of the United States Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration National Emergency Medical Services Educational Standards-Instructional Guidelines for the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, except that the educational curriculum shall not be satisfied by the completion of refresher or transition courses alone; [Meets or exceeds the National Emergency Medical Services Educational Standards Instructional Guidelines for an AEMT; and]
  - (b) Meet[Meets] all educational standards established in 202 KAR 7:601:[-]
  - (c) Obtain certification as a NREMT-Advanced Emergency Medical Technician;
- (d) Be a citizen of the United States, a permanent resident of the United States, or otherwise lawfully present in the United States, as evidenced by submission to the board of:
  - 1. A Social Security card;

- 2. Birth certificate;
- 3. A United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (U.S.C.IS) Permanent Resident Card (form I-551/Green Card); or
  - 4. Other legal authorization to live and work in the United States.
  - (e) Submit a completed AEMT Initial Certification Application in KEMSIS; and
- (f) Pay the fee pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030 for certification as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician.[
- (2) An applicant for initial certification as an AEMT in Kentucky shall pass the examination required to obtain the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians certification for an AEMT.
  - (3) An applicant for initial certification as an AEMT shall provide proof that the applicant has:
  - (a) Completed a college degree; or
  - (b)1. Obtained a high school diploma; or
  - 2. Successfully taken the General Educational Development (GED) test.
  - (4) An applicant for AEMT shall complete and submit a signed EMS Responder Application.
- (5) An applicant for AEMT shall submit valid evidence of completion of the following courses:
  - (a) HIV/AIDS training required by KRS 311A.110; and
  - (b) Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma required by KRS 311A.127.
- (6) An applicant for AEMT shall pay to KBEMS the fee established in 202 KAR 7:030 for certification as an AEMT.
- (7) An applicant for AEMT shall submit to KBEMS an unexpired cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card or other current evidence of completion of a CPR course that:
- (a) Meets all standards of the American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Provider course; and
  - (b) Includes a psychomotor examination component and a cognitive assessment.
- (8) (2) An applicant shall undergo a background check pursuant to KRS 311A.050 and 311A.100. The background check [required] shall be:
  - (a) National in scope for an applicant not currently certified at any level in Kentucky;
  - (b) Statewide in scope for an applicant with current certification in Kentucky;
- (c) Less than six (6) months old when the applicant submits to the board [KBEMS] all requirements for certification; and
- (d) Provided by a vendor that has been contracted through the board [KBEMS or an official federal entity].
- (3) [(9)] An applicant shall not directly submit a background check. The background check shall be submitted to the <u>board</u> [Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services] by the company [or federal entity] that conducts the background check.
- (10) An applicant shall have two (2) years from the completion date appearing on the course completion form for the applicant's AEMT course to:
  - (a) Pass the National Registry exam for AEMT certification; and
  - (b) Fulfill all requirements for certification as an AEMT established in this section.]
- <u>Section 3. Renewal of Certification and Continuing Education Requirements. (1) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician shall be eligible for certification renewal if:</u>
  - (a) The applicant submits a completed AEMT Certification Renewal Application in KEMSIS;
  - (b) The applicant maintains written evidence of:
  - 1. HIV/AIDS training required by KRS 311A.120;
  - 2. Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma as required by KRS 311A.120; and
  - 3. Awareness of Sexual Violence Training required by KRS 311A.120;

- (b) The applicant pays the fee required for renewal pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030; and
- (3) The applicant maintains evidence of:
- (a) Current certification by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, except that if this option is used, the board may request, through a continuing education audit, proof of continuing education to verify compliance with the continuing education requirements of this section; or
- (b) Successful completion of the NREMT Advanced Emergency Medical Technician National Continued Competency Program, for Continuing Education which shall be validated by entities authorized to conduct continuing education pursuant to 202 KAR 7:601.
  - (4) An application for certification renewal shall be denied if:
- (a) Prior to the certification expiration date, the applicant has not met the applicable requirements of this section; or
- (b) The applicant has been subjected to disciplinary action that prevents certification renewal at the time of application.
- (5) An applicant who is subject to pending administrative action pursuant to KRS 311A.050 through 311A.090 shall be eligible to renew certification unless the applicant:
  - (a) Is temporarily suspended pursuant to KRS 311A.075;
- (b) Has failed to perform an action ordered by the board pursuant to KRS 311A.055 or 311A.060; or
- (c) Is delinquent on fines or fees owed to the board pursuant to KRS 311A.055, 311A.060, or 202 KAR 7:030.
- (6) A certified Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, in good standing, who is a member of a branch of the United States National Guard or a military reserve unit called to active duty by presidential order pursuant to 10 U.S.C. §§ 121 and 673b, shall be renewed in accordance with KRS 12.355 upon submission of the Military Extension Application.
- (7) The board office may audit an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician's continuing education and continuing education records.
- (8) The Advanced Emergency Medical Technician shall submit the documentation requested within ten (10) business days of receipt of the board's request. If documentation of continuing education hours consistent with this administrative regulation are not received using the board-approved submission process within ten (10) business days of receipt of the board's request, the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certification for the individual shall be summarily revoked and the individual shall reapply for certification through Reinstatement if eligible.
- (9) The ten (10) business days for submission shall not apply to investigations pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A.
- (10) The Advanced Emergency Medical Technician shall maintain documentation of all continuing education for three (3) years from the date of completion.
- Section 4. Reinstatement of Certification. (1) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician whose Kentucky certification has lapsed shall be eligible for reinstatement of certification if the applicant submits:
  - (a) A completed AEMT Reinstatement Certification Application in KEMSIS; and
  - (b) Evidence of:
- 1. Previous certification as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician in the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
  - 2. Current training in:
  - a. Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma as required by KRS 311A.120; and
  - b. Awareness of Sexual Violence Training required by KRS 311A.120.

- (2) The applicant shall pay the fee pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030.
- (3) The applicant for reinstatement of certification shall undergo a national background check provided by a vendor that has been contracted through the board.
- (a) An applicant shall not directly submit a background check to meet the requirements of this section. The background check shall be submitted to the board by the company that conducts the background check; and
- (b) Background checks that are older than six (6) months shall not be considered current, and the applicant shall undergo another national background check prior to approval of reinstatement of certification.
- (4) The applicant for reinstatement of certification shall bear the burden of proof of previous certification in Kentucky if the previous certification is in issue or dispute.
- (5) An applicant for reinstatement of an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certification shall submit evidence of formal completion of continuing education hours as required in Section 3 of this administrative regulation. Completion of the hours shall have occurred within the twelve (12) months preceding application for reinstatement of the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician.
- (6) An applicant for reinstatement of a lapsed certification shall provide evidence of current skills by completing and submitting validation of those skills on the Kentucky Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Skills Verification Report. The Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Skills Verification Report shall be completed by entities authorized to conduct continuing education pursuant to 202 KAR 7:601.
- (7) An applicant who is ineligible for certification pursuant to KRS 311A.050 through 311A.090 shall be ineligible for reinstatement.
- Section 5. Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Reciprocity. (1) An individual who is certified in a contiguous state to the Commonwealth of Kentucky or by the NREMT as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician or any member of the United States Armed Forces, or veteran who has transitioned within the past six (6) years from the United States Armed Forces, and has been registered by the National Registry as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician or EMT and has successfully completed the Army 68 Whiskey course shall be eligible for reciprocity for certification as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician in Kentucky if the applicant submits:
  - (a) A completed AEMT Reciprocity Certification Application in KEMSIS;
- (b) Proof of the applicant's unrestricted NREMT certification as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician or Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certification in a contiguous state to the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and
  - (c) Completion of current training in:
  - 1. HIV/AIDS training required by KRS 311A.120;
  - 2. Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma training required by KRS 311A.120: and
  - 3. Awareness of Sexual Violence Training required by KRS 311A.120.
- (2) An applicant shall pay the fee required for certification through reciprocity pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030.
- (3) An applicant for Advanced Emergency Medical Technician reciprocity shall undergo a national background check provided by a vendor that has been contracted through the board. An applicant shall not directly submit a background check. The background check shall be submitted to the board by the company that conducts the background check. Background checks that are older than six (6) months shall not be considered current, and the applicant shall undergo another national background check prior to approval of certification through reciprocity.

- (4) An applicant shall not have been convicted of offenses described in KRS 311A.050.
- (5) An applicant shall not have been subjected to discipline that would prevent reciprocity at the time of application.
- (6) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certified pursuant to Section 2 of this administrative regulation shall not perform any procedures or skill on which the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician has not been trained. An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician who performs a skill for which the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician does not have documented training shall have exceeded the scope of practice and shall be in violation of KRS 311A.050.
- (7) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certified pursuant to this section shall complete the Kentucky supplemental Advanced Emergency Medical Technician curricula for the procedures listed in 202 KAR 7:701 prior to beginning work for a licensed agency in Kentucky.
- (8) Kentucky supplemental Advanced Emergency Medical Technician curricula consistent with 202 KAR 7:701 shall be provided during employee orientation, or by entities authorized to conduct continuing education pursuant to 202 KAR 7:601.
- (9) Verification of competency on the supplemental curricula procedures in 202 KAR 7:701 shall be maintained by the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician for a minimum of three (3) years. Failure to submit the AEMT Supplemental Curriculum Training Verification Report shall result in revocation of Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certification.
- (10) If an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certified pursuant to this section fails to supply verification of competency as required by subsection (7) of this section the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician shall be ineligible to apply for and receive Advanced Emergency Medical Technician reciprocity certification until the applicant has submitted the AEMT Supplemental Curriculum Training Verification Report as required pursuant to 202 KAR 7:701, and shall reapply for Reciprocity through the process set forth in this section.
- Section <u>6</u> [2]. Scope of Practice. (1) An <u>Advanced Emergency Medical Technician</u> [<del>AEMT</del>] shall provide emergency medical services consistent with the skills and procedures in the National EMS Scope of Practice Model <u>and 202 KAR 7:701</u>.[
- (2) In addition to the skills and procedures in the National EMS Scope of Practice Model, the scope of practice of a Kentucky AEMT shall include the following procedures:
  - (a) Quantitative and qualitative capnography and capnometry;
- (b) Bilevel Positive Airway Pressure and Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (BI-PAP/CPAP) devices;
  - (c) End tidal Carbon Dioxide (ETCO2) Detection;
  - (d) Acquisition of a non-interpretive twelve (12) lead electrocardiogram (ECG);
  - (e) Transmission of a non-interpretive twelve (12) lead electrocardiogram (ECG); and
  - (f) Establish and maintain adult intraosseous infusion.
- (3) Eligibility to perform the supplemental procedures shall require an AEMT to complete education on and training for the skill performed. The supplemental curriculum required shall consist of:
- (a) Kentucky Ambulance Service Specific Supplemental Curriculum for the AEMT using a noninvasive monitoring device Application of 12 lead electrocardiogram electrodes and monitor:
- (b) Kentucky Ambulance Service Specific Supplemental Curriculum for the AEMT using a noninvasive monitoring device Application and interpretation of quantitative capnography and end tidal carbon dioxide monitoring;
  - (c) Kentucky Ambulance Service Specific Supplemental Curriculum for the AEMT using Bi-

level Positive Airway Pressure and Continuous Positive Airway Pressure Devices; and

- (d) Kentucky Ambulance Service Specific Supplemental Curriculum for the AEMT using intraosseous infusion in the adult.
- (4) An AEMT shall adhere to the protocols the employing service's medical director submitted to KBEMS for approval. Deviation from the protocols shall only occur if:
  - (a) The AEMT's medical director or designated on-line medical control orders otherwise;
  - (b) Compliance with approved protocols is not in the patient's medical best interest; or
  - (c) The AEMT does not have the equipment or medication to adhere to the protocol.
- (5) An AEMT shall document deviation from an approved protocol as part of the patient care report.
- (6) If providing emergency medical services during a disaster or emergency that qualifies as part of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, pursuant to KRS 39A.050 or if acting pursuant to another agreement made pursuant to KRS Chapter 39, an AEMT certified in another state may perform the skills and procedures approved by the certifying state.]

Section <u>7</u> [3]. Expiration of Certification. (1) Certification periods and expiration dates shall be pursuant to KRS 311A.095.

- (2) If an <u>Advanced Emergency Medical Technician's</u> [AEMT's] certification lapses or expires, the <u>Advanced Emergency Medical Technician</u> [AEMT] shall cease provision of emergency medical services.
- (3) [If the AEMT has chosen to maintain certification at the EMT level, the AEMT shall apply for renewal of EMT certification prior to the expiration date.
- (4)] An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician [AEMT] who has allowed his or her [all levels of] certification to lapse or expire shall be required to reinstate certification pursuant to Section 4 [7] of this administrative regulation.[

Section 4. Renewal of Certification and Continuing Education Requirements. (1) To be eligible for renewal of certification, an AEMT shall submit to the board:

- (a) A completed and signed EMS Responder Application; and
- (b) The fee established in 202 KAR 7:030.
- (2) The applicant shall maintain written evidence of:
- (a) Current training in HIV/AIDS treatment and recognition required by Section 1(5)(a) of this administrative regulation; and
  - (b) Current training in Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma as required by KRS 311A.127.
  - (3) An applicant for renewal of certification as an AEMT shall maintain evidence of:
- (a) Current certification by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians as an AEMT; or
- (b) Completion of the AEMT continuing education requirement of forty-eight (48) total instructional hours. The forty-eight (48) instructional hours shall be composed of twelve (12) elective hours in subject areas chosen by the AEMT and thirty-six (36) hours that include the following minimum contact hours for the following subject areas:
- 1. Twelve (12) hours in airway, breathing, and cardiology, with a minimum of one (1) hour in each topic;
  - 2. Six (6) hours in medical emergencies, excluding cardiology;
  - 3. Five (5) hours in trauma;
  - 4. Six (6) hours in obstetrics;
  - 5. Six (6) hours in pediatrics; and
  - 6. One (1) hour in disaster management.
  - (c) The twelve (12) elective hours required for an AEMT to recertify shall not include more

than four (4) hours in a single category in the list provided in paragraph (b)1. through 6. of this subsection.

- (4) To be used for renewal of certification, the AEMT's continuing education hours shall be certified as valid by:
- (a) The course's instructor, medical director, training officer, coordinator, or provider that offered the hours; or
- (b) A medical director, service director, or training officer of the AEMT's ambulance service, first response agency, fire department, rescue squad, or other medical employer.
- (5) An applicant for AEMT shall not be eligible for renewal of certification if the applicant does not complete all hours required by the end of the AEMT's certification period.
- (6) An applicant's certification that is based upon completion of continuing education hours that are subsequently proven untrue, inaccurate, or fraudulent through a board audit shall be invalid pursuant to [KRS 311A.140(4) and] 311A.050(2)(b).
- (7) An applicant who is subject to pending administrative action pursuant to KRS 311A.050 through 311A.090 shall be eligible to renew certification unless the applicant:
  - (a) Is temporarily suspended pursuant to KRS 311A.075;
- (b) Has failed to perform an action ordered by the board pursuant to KRS 311A.055 or 311A.060; or
- (c) Is delinquent on fines or fees owed to the board pursuant to KRS 311A.055, 311A.060, or 202 KAR 7:030.
- (8) A certified AEMT who is not undergoing disciplinary action with the board and who is a member of a branch of the United States military or a National Guard or military reserve unit shall be eligible for an extension of the time limit to renew certification if the AEMT:
- (a)1. Is called to federal active duty by presidential order pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 121 and 673b during the current certification period; or
- 2. Is called to state active duty for an extended period of time by order of the governor pursuant to KRS 38.030:
- (b) Because of the call to active duty, is unable to complete the continuing education hours required for renewal of certification; and
- (c) Submits a written request for an extension within thirty (30) days prior to or sixty (60) days after release from active duty.
- (9) The extension granted pursuant to subsection (8) of this administrative regulation shall not exceed one (1) year beyond the effective date of release from active duty for the AEMT. The AEMT shall be required to provide a DD 214 or other relevant federal documents as proof of the release date.
- (10) If asked by the office of the board to provide the documentation of continuing education hours an AEMT used as a basis for renewal of certification, the AEMT shall submit the documentation within ten (10) business days of receipt of the board's request.
- (11) The ten (10) business days for submission shall not apply to investigations pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A.

Section 5. AEMT Reciprocity. (1) An individual who is certified by the NREMT as an AEMT shall be eligible for direct reciprocity for initial certification as an AEMT in Kentucky if the applicant submits a completed and signed EMS Responder Application and proof of:

- (a) The applicant's unrestricted NREMT certification as an AEMT; and
- (b) Completion of current training in:
- 1. HIV/AIDS training required by KRS 311A.110;
- 2. Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma training required by KRS 311A.127; and
- 3. CPR that meets the requirements of Section 1(7) of this administrative regulation; and

- (c) Submission of the Kentucky Required Mandatory Supplemental Curriculum for AEMT Initial Training Verification Report.
- (2) An applicant shall pay the fee required for initial certification through reciprocity pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030.
- (3) An applicant for AEMT direct reciprocity shall undergo a national background check and have the results submitted to the board. Background checks that are older than six (6) months shall not be considered current, and the applicant shall be required to undergo another national background check prior to approval of certification through reciprocity.
- (4) An AEMT certified pursuant to Section 1 of this administrative regulation shall not perform any procedures or skill on which the AEMT has not been trained. An AEMT who performs a skill for which the AEMT does not have documented training shall have exceeded the scope of practice and shall be in violation of KRS 311A.060.
- (5) An AEMT certified pursuant to Section 1 of this administrative regulation shall complete the Kentucky supplemental AEMT curricula for the procedures listed in Section 2(3) of this administrative regulation within six (6) months of receiving certification through direct reciprocity.
- (6) Verification of competency on the supplemental curricula procedures in Section 2(3) of this administrative regulation shall be submitted to the board within six (6) months of receiving certification. Failure to submit verification shall result in revocation of AEMT certification, and the board shall issue a new certificate at the level of EMT for the remaining certification period.
- (7) If an AEMT certified pursuant to this section fails to supply verification of competency as required by subsection (6) of this section and the AEMT's certificate is reissued at the EMT level of certification, the AEMT shall be ineligible to apply for and receive AEMT reciprocity certification until the applicant has submitted verification of competency in the supplemental procedures in Section 2(3) of this administrative regulation.]
- Section 8. Downgrading Certification. (1) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician currently certified as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician by the board shall be eligible for certification downgrade if:
  - (a) The certification is in good standing with no pending disciplinary action;
- (b) The applicant submits a completed AEMT Certification Downgrade Application in KEMSIS; and
  - (c) The applicant pays the fee established in 202 KAR 7:030.
- (2) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician is only eligible to downgrade his or her certification to an Emergency Medical Technician or Emergency Medical Responder certification.
  - (3) Certification periods and expiration dates shall be pursuant to KRS 311A.095.
- (4) An applicant shall undergo a background check pursuant to KRS 311A.050 and 311A.100. The background check shall be:
  - (a) Statewide in scope for an applicant with current certification in Kentucky;
- (b) Less than six (6) months old when the applicant submits to the board all requirements for certification; and
  - (c) Provided by a vendor that has been contracted through the board.
  - (5) The applicant shall provide proof of:
  - (a) Current certification by the NREMT as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician; or
- (b) Successful completion of the NREMT Advanced Emergency Medical Technician National Continued Competency Program for Continuing Education, which shall be validated by entities authorized to conduct continuing education pursuant to 202 KAR 7:601;
  - (c) Current training in:

- 1. Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma required by KRS 311A.120; and
- 2. Awareness of Sexual Violence Training required by KRS 311A.120.
- (6) Downgrade shall be denied if the applicant has not met the requirements of this section or has been subject to disciplinary action that prevents certification at the time of application.
- (7) The applicant shall be responsible for meeting the renewal requirements of the downgraded certification level issued prior to expiration of that certification.
- (8) To reinstate the certification or license that was previously held, the applicant shall meet the regulatory requirements for that level of certification or licensure.
- (9) The applicant shall notify the board's licensed service director(s) with whom the applicant is affiliated immediately upon downgrading his or her certification.
- (10) Once the applicant has downgraded his or her certification or license, the applicant is no longer permitted to provide emergency medical services at the previous certification or license level held.
- (11) An applicant applying for downgrade who does not comply with this section shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A.
- (12) All endorsements, certifications, or licenses held at the previous certification or license level shall be void at the completion of the downgrade.
- <u>Section 9. Surrender of Certification. (1) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician surrendering certification shall:</u>
  - (a) Submit a completed AEMT Certification Surrender Application in KEMSIS; and
  - (b) Pay the fee established in 202 KAR 7:030.
- (2) The applicant shall notify the board's licensed service director(s) with whom the applicant is affiliated immediately upon surrendering his or her certification.
- <u>Section 10. Reporting Requirements. (1) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician shall maintain current demographic information in KEMSIS including:</u>
  - (a) Legal name;
- 1. Any changes to an AMET's legal name shall be submitted using the Name Change application in KEMSIS; and
  - 2. One (1) of the following documents as verification of name change:
  - a. Social Security card;
  - b. Driver's license; or
  - c. Passport;
  - (b) Mailing address:
  - (c) Email address; and
  - (d) Phone number.
- (2) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician who does not comply with this section shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A.
- Section <u>11</u> [6]. Exemptions from <u>Advanced Emergency Medical Technician</u> [AEMT] Administrative Regulations. Certification requirements for an <u>Advanced Emergency Medical Technician</u> [AEMT] shall not apply to:
- (1) United States military members, state National Guard personnel, or employees of the United States government if the individual provides emergency medical services:
  - (a)[1-] On land owned by the United States government; [er]
  - (b) [2.] In facilities owned by the United States government; [or]
  - (c) [(b)1.] In the performance of official duties under federal law; [or]
  - (d) [2-] As part of assistance for a mass casualty or disaster incident pursuant to federal law

or official state assistance request; or

- (2) An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician [AEMT] certified in another state or territory of the United States who:
- (a) Enters Kentucky with a patient being transported to a medical facility or other final destination in Kentucky; or
- (b) Travels through Kentucky during the course of a patient transport from an out-of-state location to a destination outside of Kentucky.[

Section 7. Reinstatement of Certification. (1) An AEMT whose Kentucky certification has lapsed shall be eligible for reinstatement of certification if:

- (a) The lapse in certification has not exceeded a period of three (3) years; and
- (b) The applicant submits:
- 1. A completed and signed EMS Responder Application; and
- 2. Evidence of:
- a. Current certification at the AEMT level or higher with the National Registry; or
- b. Current training in:
- (i) HIV/AIDS training required by KRS 311A.110;
- (ii) Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma as required by KRS 311A.127; and
- (iii) Healthcare CPR as required by Section 1(7) of this administrative regulation.
- (2) The applicant shall pay the fee pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030.
- (3) The applicant shall undergo a national background check and have the results presented to the office of the board. If the background check is older than six (6) months, the applicant shall be required to undergo and have new results submitted to the board.
- (4) The applicant for reinstatement of certification shall bear the burden of proof of previous certification in Kentucky if the previous certification is in issue or dispute.
- (5) An applicant for reinstatement of an AEMT certification shall submit evidence of formal completion of continuing education hours as required in Section 4 of this administrative regulation. Completion of the hours shall have occurred within the twelve (12) months preceding application for reinstatement of the AEMT.
- (6) An applicant for reinstatement of a lapsed certification shall provide evidence of current skills by completing and submitting validation of those skills on the Kentucky Advanced EMT Skills Verification Report.
- (7) An AEMT whose certification has lapsed for longer than three (3) years shall not be eligible for reinstatement but shall be considered an initial certification and shall meet all requirements in Section 1 of this administrative regulation.
- (8) An applicant ineligible for certification pursuant to KRS 311A.050 through 311A.090 shall be ineligible for reinstatement.]

Section 12. Public Notice of Negative Action. The board office shall cause to be published on the board website the name of an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician who:

- (1) Is fined;
- (2) Is placed on probationary status;
- (3) Is placed on restricted status:
- (4) Is suspended; or
- (5) Has had his or her certification revoked.[

Section 8. AEMT certification through previous pilot projects.

(1) An AEMT who obtained certification as an AEMT through training in a pilot project previously approved by the board shall maintain certification until the end of the current certification

period without the completion of additional requirements.

- (2) An AEMT certified through a previously approved pilot project who applies for renewal at the end of the current certification period shall meet all requirements for renewal of certification in Section 4 of this administrative regulation.
- (3) An applicant certified as an AEMT in a previously approved pilot project and who meets the requirements for renewal of certification as an AEMT in Section 4 of this administrative regulation shall not be limited to the geographic boundaries established in the original pilot project but shall be considered fully certified and geographically unrestricted to practice as an AEMT in the state of Kentucky.]

Section 13.[9.] Incorporation by Reference. (1) The following material is incorporated by reference:

- (a) "National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards-<u>Advanced Emergency Medical Technician</u> Instructional Guidelines", <u>The United States Department of Transportation</u>, <u>National Highway Traffic Safety Administration</u>, <u>DOT HS 811 077D</u>, <u>January 2009</u> [National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT HS 811 077A, January 2009]</u>;
- (b) "AEMT Initial Certification Application" in KEMSIS, July 2019 ["EMS Responder Application", KBEMS E-1, September 2012];
- (c) "AEMT Certification Renewal Application" in KEMSIS, July 2019 ["American Heart Association's Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers Course", American Heart Association, 2011:
- (d) "AEMT Reciprocity Certification Application" in KEMSIS, July 2019 ["National EMS Scope of Practice Model", National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT HS 810 657, February 2007];
- (e) "AEMT Reinstatement Certification Application" in KEMSIS, July 2019 ["Kentucky Ambulance Service Specific Supplemental Curriculum for the AEMT using a noninvasive monitoring device Application of 12 lead electrocardiogram electrodes and monitor", KBEMS E-29, March 2013]:
  - (f) "AEMT Supplemental Curriculum Training Verification Report", July 2019;
  - (g) "AEMT Skills Verification Report", July 2019;
- (h) "National EMS Scope of Practice Model", National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT HS 810 657, February 2007;
- (i) "National EMS Scope of Practice Model", National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT HS 812 666, February 2019;
  - (i) "AEMT Certification Downgrade Application" in KEMSIS, July 2019:
  - (k) "AEMT Certification Surrender Application" in KEMSIS, July 2019;
- (I) "National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians National Continued Competency Program AEMT", October 2016;
- (m) "American Heart Association Guidelines for CPR and Emergency Cardiovascular Care", November 2018:
- (n) "National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Psychomotor Examination Users Guide", September 2016;
  - (o) "Name Change Application" in KEMSIS, July 2019;
  - (p) "Military Extension Application" in KEMSIS, July 2019; and
- (q) "United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (U.S.C.IS) Permanent Resident Card (form I-551/Green Card)", July 2019.["Kentucky Ambulance Service Specific Supplemental Curriculum for the AEMT using a noninvasive monitoring device Application and interpretation of quantitative capnography and end tidal carbon dioxide monitoring", KBEMS E-30, March 2013;

- (g) "Kentucky Ambulance Service Specific Supplemental Curriculum for the AEMT using Bilevel Positive Airway Pressure and Continuous Positive Airway Pressure Devices", KBEMS E-32, March 2013:
- (h) "Kentucky Ambulance Service Specific Supplemental Curriculum for the AEMT using intraosseous infusion in the adult", KBEMS E-31, March 2013;
- (i) "Kentucky Required Mandatory Supplemental Curriculum for AEMT Initial Training Verification Report", KBEMS E-26, March 2013; and
  - (j) "Kentucky Advanced EMT Skills Verification Report", KBEMS E-28, March 2013.]
- (2) This material may be inspected, copied, or obtained, subject to applicable copyright law, at the Office of the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, <u>2464 Fortune Drive, Suite</u> <u>195, Lexington, Kentucky 40509, by appointment, [KCTCS, 300 N. Main Street, Versailles, Kentucky 40383]</u> Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## PHILIP DIETZ, Chairman

APPROVED BY AGENCY: April 8, 2021

FIELD WITH LRC: April 14, 2021 at 3:54 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: A public hearing on this administrative regulation shall be held on June 28, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time at the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, 2464 Fortune Drive, Suite 195, Lexington, Kentucky 40509. Individuals interested in being heard at this hearing shall notify this agency in writing by five (5) workdays prior to the hearing of their intent to attend. If no notification of intent to attend the hearing is received by that date, the hearing may be canceled. This hearing is open to the public. Any person who wishes to be heard will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed administrative regulation. A transcript of the public hearing will not be made unless a written request for a transcript is made. If you do not wish to be heard at the public hearing, you may submit written comments on the proposed administrative regulation. Written comments shall be accepted through June 30, 2021. Send written notification of intent to be heard at the public hearing or written comments on the proposed administrative regulation to the contact person.

CONTACT PERSON: Chuck O'Neal, Deputy Executive Director of Administration, Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, 2464 Fortune Drive, Suite 195, Lexington, Kentucky 40509, phone (859) 256-3587, email chuck.oneal@kctcs.edu.

## REGULATORY IMPACT ANALYSIS AND TIERING STATEMENT

Contact Person: Chuck O'Neal

- (1) Provide a brief summary of:
- (a) What this administrative regulation does: KRS 311A.025(2) requires the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the standards for training, education, examination, certification, practice, and recertification of the advanced emergency medical technician (AEMT). This administrative regulation establishes requirements for Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians.
- (b) The necessity of this administrative regulation: KRS 311A.025(2) requires the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the standards for training, education, examination, certification, practice, and recertification of the advanced emergency medical technician (AEMT). This administrative regulation establishes requirements for Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians. These amendments are necessary to allow Kentucky Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians the opportunity to become certified and maintain certification to protect the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Educational and certification processes are streamlined, and unnecessary or repetitive language across other administrative regulations have been removed.

- (c) How this administrative regulation conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: This administrative regulation conforms to the content of KRS 311A.025 by establishing the requirements for Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians.
- (d) How this administrative regulation currently assists or will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: KRS 311A.025(2) requires the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the standards for training, education, examination, certification, practice, and recertification of the advanced emergency medical technician (AEMT). This administrative regulation establishes requirements for Advanced Emergency Medical Technician. This administrative regulation will assist Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians in becoming certified utilizing more simplistic guidelines and processes and provides additional guidance on educational requirements and will allow the board to provide more effective customer service to applicants for certification.
- (2) If this is an amendment to an existing administrative regulation, provide a brief summary of:
- (a) How the amendment will change this existing administrative regulation: This amendment streamlines certification application processes for Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians and provides additional guidance on application processes and responsibilities of the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician. Additionally, unnecessary and dated requirements and terminology have been removed.
- (b) The necessity of the amendment to this administrative regulation: These amendments are necessary to allow Kentucky Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians the opportunity to become certified and maintain certification to protect the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Educational and certification processes are streamlined, and unnecessary or repetitive language across other administrative regulations have been removed.
- (c) How the amendment conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: KRS 311A.025(2) requires the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the standards for training, education, examination, certification, practice, and recertification of the advanced emergency medical technician (AEMT). This administrative regulation establishes requirements for Advanced Emergency Medical Technician.
- (d) How the amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: KRS 311A.025(2) requires the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the standards for training, education, examination, certification, practice, and recertification of the advanced emergency medical technician (AEMT). This administrative regulation establishes requirements for Advanced Emergency Medical Technician. This administrative regulation amendment streamlines processes for administrative body processing and removes barriers to certification for the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician. Streamlined processes allow the administrative body to certify applicants more effectively and efficiently.
- (3) List the type and number of individuals, businesses, organizations, or state and local governments affected by this administrative regulation: The Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, its members, staff, and licensed agencies will be affected by this administrative regulation.
- (4) Provide an analysis of how the entities identified in question (3) will be impacted by either the implementation of this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change, if it is an amendment, including:
  - (a) List the actions that each of the regulated entities identified in question (3) will have to

take to comply with this administrative regulation or amendment: The Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, its members, staff, and licensed agencies shall implement the standards relating to Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians pursuant to this administrative regulation and shall execute their duties consistent with this amendment.

- (b) In complying with this administrative regulation or amendment, how much will it cost each of the entities identified in question (3): There will be no cost to any entity identified in question (3).
- (c) As a result of compliance, what benefits will accrue to the entities identified in question (3): Applicants seeking certification as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician will benefit from decreased certification requirements and processing time.
- (5) Provide an estimate of how much it will cost the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation: There will be no cost to the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation.
- (a) Initially: There will be no cost to the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation.
- (b) On a continuing basis: There will be no cost to the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation.
- (6) What is the source of funding to be used for the implementation and enforcement of this administrative regulation: No funding source is necessary to implement and enforce this administrative regulation.
- (7) Provide an assessment of whether an increase in fees or funding will be necessary to implement this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change if it is an amendment: No increase in fees or funding will be necessary.
- (8) State whether or not this administrative regulation established any fees or directly or indirectly increased any fees: This regulation did not establish any fees.
- (9) TIERING: Is tiering applied? Tiering is not applied to this administrative regulation because this amendment applies equally to all licensed agencies.

## FISCAL NOTE ON STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- 1. What units, parts, or divisions of state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) will be impacted by this administrative regulation? The Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, its members, staff, and licensed agencies will be affected by this administrative regulation.
- 2. Identify each state or federal regulation that requires or authorizes the action taken by the administrative regulation. KRS 311A.025 requires the board to promulgate administrative regulations relating to Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians. This administrative regulation establishes requirements for Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians.
- 3. Estimate the effect of this administrative regulation on the expenditures and revenues of a state or local government agency (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for the first full year the administrative regulation is to be in effect.
- (a) How much revenue will this administrative regulation generate for the state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for the first year? This administrative regulation will generate no revenue for the first year.
- (b) How much revenue will this administrative regulation generate for the state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for subsequent years? This administrative regulation will generate no revenue for subsequent years.
- (c) How much will it cost to administer this program for the first year? This administrative regulation will not impose any costs on state or local government.

(d) How much will it cost to administer this program for subsequent years? This administrative regulation will not impose any costs on state or local government.

Note: If specific dollar estimates cannot be determined, provide a brief narrative to explain the fiscal impact of the administrative regulation.

Revenues (+/-): This administrative regulation will not generate revenue.

Expenditures (+/-): This administrative regulation will not impose any costs.

Other Explanation: